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SRI S. B. ADITYAN:—" May I know whether this Government have informed the Government of India that it hurts the self-respect of the people of this country to accept charity from other countries? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI:—" If the hon. Member had doubts as to our own self-respect in this matter, I would have thought he would have begun with it instead of charging the Americans with inconsistency with their own doctrine.

" As regards our self-respect, Sir, it is a matter that may be left to the two Governments and, I am sure, the self-respect of both the Government of India and the Government of Madras will be carefully guarded by the respective Governments in charge."

SRI S. B. ADITYAN:—" The Hon. Chief Minister just now said that each scheme would cost Rs. 12 lakhs to this State. May I know how much of it will go towards salaries to officials? There is a Director put in charge of Community Projects who is paid about Rs. 2,000 a month and the whole of the expenditure on that Director is payable out of State revenues."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI:—" The hon. Member will be entitled to go into all the expenditure when the scheme is ready but I may inform him straightaway that all Governmental efforts in any department of welfare must involve expenditure on the human material that is employed for running the efforts and any payment made for human effort is not a waste. If we analyse any scheme, everything will come to payment for human services."

SRI S. B. ADITYAN:—" I find from the Budget Estimate that provision has been made for a Director of Community Projects on the scale of Rs. 2,500 with a special pay of Rs. 200. How does the Hon. Chief Minister justify such a big salary for a person who, after all, is supposed to be in charge of Rural Community Projects? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI:—" This is not a demand for information. It is a demand for my opinion. That I did it is enough to show that I justify it."

Appointment of the Deputy Director of Medical Services.

* 22 *Q.*—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAMA MUDALIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the previous appointments held by the present Deputy Director of Medical Services and his total service in the department;

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(b) whether there are any seniors to him in the State Medical Service and if so, the circumstances under which their claims were overlooked in making the appointment; and

(c) whether the Madras Public Service Commission was consulted in the matter?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY:—" (a) The History of Services, a copy of which is available in the library of the House, will give all the information.

" (b) & (c) Promotions to selection category posts of which the post referred to in the question is one are made on the basis of merit, seniority being taken into consideration only when the merits of the competing candidates are approximately equal. Such promotions within the service are outside the purview of the Madras Public Service Commission and so no reference to it is necessary.

" The Government consider that it is not in the public interest that promotions within the service are discussed in the Legislature."

Abolition of the reserved seats in the City Corporation Council.

* 23 Q.—SRI S. B. ADITYAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to State whether the Government have under consideration any proposal to undertake legislation for the abolition of the reserved seats in the Madras City Corporation Council?

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI:—" There is no such proposals at present."

SRI V. GURUNANDAN ROW:—" Will the Government consider such a proposal because, as a matter of fact, the Madras Trades Association and the Chamber of Commerce are small bodies with small members and they get a seat in the Council? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI:—" We are not abolishing it and all reservations are there and they will be there as they are."

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAMA MUDALIAR:—" May I know whether the Corporation electoral rolls will be revised and brought up-to-date before the elections? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI:—" They must be rearranged according to divisions."

MR. CHAIRMAN:—" The House will now resume general discussion of the Budget."